Tsatichu landslide dam

3651. SHRIMATI SYEDAANWARA TAIMUR: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Tsatichu landslide dam is a serious concern for the Lower Assam districts of Barpeta and Nalbari;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the experts team to study the Tsatichu dam, constituted by the Indian Government, could not visit the dam site and submitted its recommendations without visiting the site; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAY PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) There is no serious concern for the Lower Assam districts of Barpeta and Nalbari due to Tsatichu landslide dam, as the volume of water in the Tsatichu landslide dam, as the volume of water in the Tsatichu lake is negligible at present.

(b) and (c) The expert team has visited the landslide dam area on 21.12.2006 upto the point from where a realistic technical assessment of the hazard potential of the slide dam could be done and all the required technical details could be gathered. The team has observed that the landslide was stable and there was negligible water in the Tsatichu lake.

Assistance under AIBP to Andhra Pradesh

3652. SHRIMATI N. P. DURGA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of loan assistance provided to the State of Andhra Pradesh under the Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) whether there is any Grant Component in this programme;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether it is also a fact that the criteria for AIBP has been liberalized since April, 2005; and